



Ninety-Eighth Legislature - First Session - 2003
Introducer's Statement of Intent
LR 13 CA

Chairperson: Ron Raikes
Committee: Education
Date of Hearing: January 28, 2003

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LR 13 CA seeks to change the membership of the University Of Nebraska Board Of Regents. If passed by the Legislature and approved by Nebraska voters, it would require the Board to consist of 12 members.

Eight Regents would continue to be elected from districts as they are currently. The Governor would appoint the four new Regents. One of the four appointed Regents would be a full-time student at one of the NU campuses. One appointed Regent would serve from each of the three congressional districts. The student appointee would serve a one-year term. The appointees from the congressional districts would serve staggered three-year terms.

Currently the Constitution allows for not less than six nor more than eight Regents. These elected Regents serve staggered six-year terms. Three NU students serve as non-voting members on the Board. LR 13 CA would not modify the current membership, voting privileges, or term length of these Regents.

Principal Introducer: _____
Senator Adrian M. Smith